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FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 229066 ACTION SENT TO PARIS INFO THE HAGUE
LONDON DUBLIN LUXEMBOURG COPENHAGEN ROME BRUSSELS MADRID LISDON
BELGRADE OSLO STOCKHOLM HELSINKI BERN HOSKOW WARSAW BUDAPEST
BUCHAREST
SOFIA DAKAR LOME COTONOU OUAGADOUGOU PRAGUE OTTAWA
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SUBJECT: 18TH GENERAL CONFERENCE OF UNESCO:ITEM 39:
US-CANADA ADMISSION TO UNESCO EUROPEAN REGION

REFS: A) STATE 227993; B) PARIS 24215

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED MAKE APPROACH TO QUAI AT LEPRETTE
LEVEL ON SUBJECT OF U. S. ADMISSION TO UNESCO EUROPEAN
REGION AS COVERED IN REFTEL. LEPRETTE IS WELL AND FAVOR-
ABLY KNOWN TO DEPT. PRINCIPALS MOST INTERESTED IN THIS
QUESTION, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR IO AFFAIRS, WILLIAM B.
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BUFFUM AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT, IO, ROY D. MOREY.

2. AS EMBASSY AWARE, FRANCE HAS RATHER FIRM RECORD OF OPPOSITION TO BOTH U. S. AND CANADA ENTRY INTO UNESCO EUROPEAN REGION. PURPOSE OF THIS APPROACH TO QUAI IS TO REITERATE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO BEING ABLE TO JOIN EUR REGION, TO INFORM FRENCH OF ACTIONS WE ARE TAKING TO THIS END, TO KEEP LINES OF COMMUNICATION OPEN WITH FRENCH ON THIS ISSUE, TO ELICIT THEIR POSSIBLE COOPERATION AND TO AVOID ANY APPEARANCE OR IMPRESSION U. S. IS SEEKING TO DIVIDE EC-9 ON THIS ISSUE. SHOULD ALSO BE EMPHASIZED TO QUAI THAT U. S. NATURALLY TAKES EQUALLY STRONG POSITION

IN FAVOR OF CANADA'S MEMBERSHIP IN EUR REGIONAL GROUP AND FOR SAME REASONS.

3. IN ADDITION TO RATIONALE FOR U. S. MEMBERSHIP IN EUR REGION AS STATED REFTEL, DEPT. WILL LOOK TO EMBASSY TO PROVIDE ANY SUPPLEMENTARY TALKING POINTS WHICH EMBASSY WOULD CONSIDER EFFECTIVE AND HELPFUL. OUR POSITION RESTS ESSENTIALLY ON THREE MAIN POINTS: FIRST, INCREASING IMPORTANCE IN UNESCO CONTEXT OF REGIONAL GROUP ACTIVITIES; SECOND, STRONGLY FELT U. S. CULTURAL, SOCIAL, AND POLITICAL AFFINITY WITH EUROPE; AND THIRD; HIGHEST PRIORITY WE ATTACH TO AN EXPANDING COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIP WITH EUROPE AND PARTICULARLY WITH ALL WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY COORDINATE WITH U. S. MISSION UNESCO.

5. FOR U. S. MISSION TO UNESCO: REQUEST YOU SEND APPROPRIATELY WORDED NOTE ALONG LINES NOTES MENTIONED PARA. 2-C OF REF. B, WITH COPY OF DRAFT RESOLUTION, TO FRENCH DELEGATION.

6. FOR OTTAWA: INFORM GOC OF U. S. APPROACH TO FRANCE. KISSINGER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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